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SUBJECT: Applicants: Boyce et al.
Serial No: 08/056,029
Filed: April 30, 1993
For: REINFORCED JOINT FOR COMPOSITE
STRUCTURES AND METHOD OF JOINING
COMPOSITE PARTS
Examiner: Young, Micah Paul
Group: 1615
Confirm. No.: 1593
Docket No: FM-112J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a RESPONSE in reply to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2004 in the subject application.

If for any reason this RESPONSE is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, at (781) 890-5678.

If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the Office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of Time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference

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in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,



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